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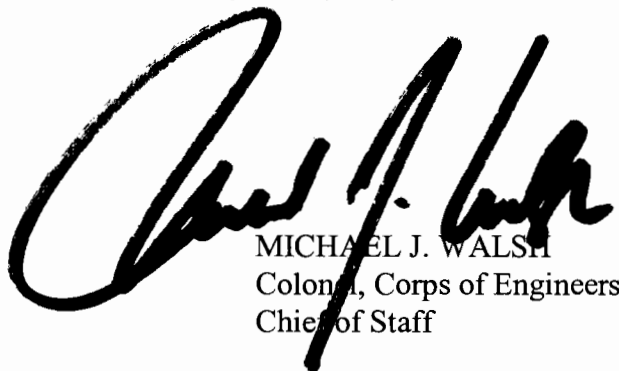
This pamphlet provides information on public participation in the Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP) for Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS). The information presented herein complements the information provided in chapter 8 of the proposed ER 200-3-1.

Chapters 1 and 5, respectively, briefly introduce and conclude the discussion. Chapter 2 provides an overall survey of public involvement programs, with special emphasis being given to the development and revision of Public Involvement Plans. Two key elements of public involvement programs, Restoration Advisory Boards (RABs) and Administrative Records, receive detailed consideration in chapters 3 and 4, respectively. The discussion of RABs incorporates substantial information on the Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) program. Appendices to the pamphlet provide helpful support materials, ranging from sample fact sheets to explanation of the organizing principles for Administrative Records.

The Office of Counsel plays an integral role in formulating plans for public participation in DERP FUDS and will be consulted with regard to any public involvement program/Public Involvement Plan and the legal requirements for public participation.

In order to establish consistency among this pamphlet and other Army publications, this revision of EP 1110-3-8 incorporates the use of the Army terms "public involvement program" and "Public Involvement Plan" in lieu of the equivalent Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) terms "community relations program" and "Community Relations Plan," respectively, that were formerly used. The use of the term "community relations" is, however, maintained throughout this revision and is to be understood in the same sense in which the term is understood in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980, the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986, and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP).

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